

Committee on Environment and Natural Resources

CS/CS/HB 1285 — Biosolids Management

by State Affairs Committee; Natural Resources & Disasters Subcommittee; and Rep. Boyles (CS/CS/SB 1474 by Rules Committee; Environment and Natural Resources Committee; and Senator Gaetz)

The bill prohibits the Department of Environmental Protection from issuing or renewing a permit for a land application site which authorizes the disposal or land application of septage as Class B biosolids if there is a permitted wastewater treatment facility that accepts septage for higher levels of treatment which is:

- Less than 30 miles from a proposed Class B biosolids land application site;
- Owned or operated by the federal government or a federal agency, a state government body or agency, or a political subdivision of this state; and
- Not defunct, used for other purposes, or out of capacity.

If approved by the Governor, or allowed to become law without the Governor's signature, these provisions take effect on July 1, 2027.

Vote: Senate 38-0; House 110-0